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PROBABLE REFERENCE TO SWEDISH NEUTRALITY NAVIG-TICK ROUTE:
INSTRUCTIONS FOR CONVOYS TO AND FROM GERMANY
(1941)

From: STOCKHOLM

To: MOSCOW 13th December 1941

No: 1575

To: [Name No. L2][i]

From the dispositions [R.SPOLOZHENIE][a] of the officer commanding
the [C: Swedish] Fleet [FLOT][ii] [3 groups unrecovered] convoys
[TRANSPORTY][b] along the coast of SWEDEN.
[a]

1. Vessels bound for GERMANY will have to [c] at SV. STKLJUBBN [SWARTKLJUBBN][iii]
for departure at 1000 hrs

[10 groups unrecovered]

route ARHOLMA[ARKHOLMA][iv] - LANDSORT[v] un[B: escorted], having a
pilot on board [6 groups unrecovered] PUROW [PYUROW][vi] at 1830 hrs.
[8 groups unrecovered] arrival at YST:D[YuST:D][vii] at 2100 hrs, from
there they leave [2 groups unrecovered] TRELLEBORG[viii] at 0700 hrs.

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2. Vessels coming from GERMANY:

Departure from TRELLEBORG at 1930 hrs,

[10 groups unrecovered]

arrival at LINDSORT 2130 hrs, departure from "RHOLM", [6 groups unrecovered]
arrival at SYSTENLJUBBN [8 groups unrecovered] west of the UNDERSTEN [ix]
lighthouse.

No. 136

[Name No. 64][x]

Notes: [a] Possibly a mistranslation from the Swedish or a mistake
for "RISPORTAZHNE" = "instructions".

[b] On the evidence of STOCKHOLM's No. 1555 of 25th September
1941 (unpublished) the word "TRANSPORT" is clearly used
in the sense of "convoy".

[c] The main verb is in the 1st-group gap. If the text were
completely recovered, the main verb would, of course,
follow the auxiliary "will have to" in the English translation.

Comments: [i] Name No. 42: Possibly Capt. (1st Rank) N.I. VOROPTSOV.

[ii] See also STOCKHOLM's Nos. 1638 and 1674 of 13th and 27th
December 1941 (3/NBF/T1965 and 1966). These texts appear
to refer to the Swedish "Neutrality Navigation Route" along
the south-east coast of SWEDEN, which was sometimes used
by convoys carrying German troops from GERMANY to FINLAND.

[iii] SV:IKTRUBBEN: 65.41N : 18.5E.

[iv] ARHOLM: 59.51N : 19.57E.

[v] LINDSORT: 53.44N : 17.52E.

[vi] FURÖN: 57.17N : 16.37E.

[vii] YST.D: 55.26N : 13.5E.

[viii] TRELLEBORG: 55.22N : 13.59E.

[ix] UNDERSTEN: 65.17N : 18.5E.

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